

Adjourned Ordinary Meeting:

Office of the East London
District Board
Serpentine 16th August 1870.

Present

John Raleigh Esq (Chair)
Robert Russell Esq
Joseph Raleigh Esq
Obadiah Edwicks Esq

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed by the Board.

Correspondence

The correspondence sent by direction of the Board since last meeting was then read from the letter Book pages 247 to 264 both inclusive and approved of by the Board.

Letters received

No 1

From John Raleigh Chairman
Forwarding signed Cheques for
accounts passed at last
meeting

Received

Correspondence

No 2

From Sherif of Newstead.

Asking the Board to assist in altering the present act so as to allow Local Bodies to reduce the fees at present charged for the use of Commons

Received

The members present having expressed themselves as satisfied that the rate of Commons fees fixed by the Government was reasonable the Chairman directed the Clerk to reply to the letter to that effect.

No 3

From Roads & Bridges

Referring to petition forwarded by ratepayers of part of Marong Sherif to be annexed to East London Board stating that a counter petition had been received and appointing the 28th June as the day fixed for receiving deputation and deciding on the matter

Received

The Chairman read a report of the proceedings of the deputation, and also the result of an interview with the Surveyor General regarding the reservation of allotments 115 and 117 Parish of Haysan mi

Moved by Mr Russell

Seconded by Mr Joseph Raleigh
That the report be received
and adopted

Carried

Correspondence

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The Chairman said that from what he had understood from the Commissioner of Roads and Bridges it would be as well that the Irish Boundary line should be fixed. he would move.

The Clerk wrote to the Marong Shire, asking them to appoint a day when their Surveyor could meet the Board's Surveyor for the purpose of deciding on the line in question.

Seconded by Mr. Edwick.

Carried.

N^o 4 From Evans Brothers, Melbourne
Circular enclosing Act to Amend
Act for Slaughtering &c
Received

N^o 5 From Evans Brothers
Circular containing list of
prices of Stationery &c
Received

N^o 6 From District Survey Office
Giving information that the
Commission to consider applications
under Part 2 of the Land Act
would sit in Sandhurst on the
26th June.
Received

N^o 7 From H. Sawcut Solicitor,
Asking whether the rates
on certain allotments of land
in the Parish of Garrahyne were
paid.
Received

Correspondence

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The Clerk stated that he had written Mr. Sawcut stating that the allotments in question were not within the boundaries of this District.

N^o 8 From Shire of Ballaw
with reference to certain suggested
alterations in the Cop Act.
Received -

N^o 9 From Samuel Samuel
Enclosing account Bill of Costs
in the case of Hugh Glass.

Mr Edwick said he thought the amount £82. was excessive, and had always been of the opinion that the matter should have been placed in some other Solicitor's hands.

The Chairman said the amount seemed a large one, and as there was a great many items he would move.

That Mr. Russell and the Clerk examine the account & report at next meeting.

Seconded by Mr. Edwick.

Carried -

N^o 10 From James Grimshaw
With reference to cutting drains
in the Swan Hill Road and
requesting Engineer to measure
work.

Received

Correspondence

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N^o 11 From Registrar General. Melbourne
 Enclosing Statistics of Mines and
 Road Boards for the use of the
 Members of the Board

Received

The Chairman directed the Clerk
 to acknowledge receipt of same

Mr Burke took his seat at the
 Board.

The Chairman - Mr Burke as
 returning Officer at the late election
 I declared Messrs Russell and Fulton
 to be duly elected I therefore cannot
 allow you to take any part in the
 proceedings of the Board either
 in addressing the Chair or in
 voting on any question -

Mr Burke said he had sent in a
 protest based on the illegality
 of the Election. if he acted or
 voted illegally he was of course
 liable under the act.

N^o 12 From Board of Health.
 Enclosing Circular having reference
 to some alterations in the act
 for Slaughtering Cattle

Received

N^o 13 From G. P. Masterman
 Referring to grubbing and
 clearing Road and asking
 for payment on a/c same
 and also stating that in
 consequence of the wet
 weather he was unable to

Correspondence

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Complete the Crossing at Bullock Creek
 Received

N^o 14 From Deputy Post Master General.
 Referring to the subject of the
 Board's supplying 2 Tacks similar
 and in lieu of those left by the
 Telegraph department and enclosing
 account for the same

On examining the account
 the Chairman said the Tacks
 charged for were not similar
 to those retained by the Board
 and had extra paper fitted
 he therefore directed the Clerk
 to write to the P. O. Melbourne
 calling the attention of Mr
 Turner to the fact and also
 to state that the price named
 by Mr. Jackson for the Tacks
 was £3. 10. 0 and the
 Carriage £1. 15/- each.

N^o 15 From Immigration Agent
 asking the Board to fill up the
 form enclosed as to the prices of
 produce and labourers wages in
 the District &c.

Received

The Chairman directed the
 required information to be
 forwarded by the Clerk

N^o 16 From the Rural Schools Committee
 Enclosing forms and papers
 to be filled up by those persons
 interested in County places

Received

Correspondence

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N^o 17 From John Raleigh R.O.
Referring to the ensuing Annual
Election

Received

N^o 18 From J. Samuel
Asking that his Bill of Costs might
be brought under the notice of the
Board

Received

N^o 19 From John Raleigh R.O.
Giving directions for the holding
of the election on the 11th Aug

Received

N^o 20 From John McLeod
Stating that in consequence of the
of the opening of a drain by the Board
his property had been damaged to the
extent of £40. and claiming that
sum as compensation from the
Board

Referred to Engineer for report

N^o 21 From John McLeod & Wm Hardy
Asking that the bye road running
past McLeod's house might be
cleared and drained

Referred to Engineer

The Chairman read the opinion
petition to the House of Assembly
in the subject of assisted Immigration
which being approved of by the Board
was directed to be forwarded
to the hon^{ble} Mr. Casey with a request
that he would present the same
to Parliament

Accounts

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Mr. Roberts moved
Mr. Jos. Raleigh seconded
That the following account be
passed for payment

James Cordy	£	10.	"
Salary Eng	25.	"	"
Salary Engineer	25.	"	"
Grumshaw	18.	"	"
Chas Hutton	18.	12.	"
Mr. Holmes	1.	13.	"
Deputation on 2 ^d of	20.	"	"
Phot Turner	6.	"	"
J. J. Masterman	15.	"	"
Returning Officer	11.	1.	6
	£	140.	16. 6
Carried			

Reports

The Treasurer handed in statement
and monthly balance showing a
credit in the Bank New South
Wales of £874. 2. 8.

Moved by Mr. Russell

Seconded by Mr. Jos Raleigh

That the Treasurer's report be
received

Carried

Mr. Russell moved the suspension
of the Standing orders
seconded by Mr. Roberts

Carried unan^{imously}

Mr. Russell moved

That the members of the Board
form a committee any two
members to be a quorum to
visit the different roads in

Ordinary Monthly Meeting.

13th Sep 1870

Office of the East Loddon
District Board.

Serpentine Tuesday 13th Sept. 1870

Present

Jno. Raleigh Esq. (Chair
Robert Russel Esq.
Joseph Raleigh Esq.

Minutes

The minutes of the previous
meeting were read and
confirmed by the Board.

Correspondence.

Letters sent by direction of
the Board since last meeting
were read from the letter
book. pages 265 to 273
both inclusive and approved
of by the meeting.

Letters received

No 1

From W^m Fenton
stating reason for non attendance
at meeting

Received

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the district together with the Engineer
for the purpose of ascertaining the
urgent requirements

Seconded by W. Roberts

Carried

Mr. Edwicks moved

That the Engineer bring up a
report next meeting & estimate of the
cost of opening up 2 miles of
Road in the Parish of Euzier
north of the present cleared Road.

The Chairman directed the
Chairman Engineer to bring up the
report asked for.

Mr. Russell moved

Mr. Edwicks seconded

That this meeting stands
adjourned till Tuesday the 13th
day of September at 11 o'clock
a.m.

Carried

The Chairman adjourned the meeting
accordingly

Jno Raleigh
Chairman

Correspondence

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No 2. From Hon. A. J. Casey

Stating that he would have much pleasure in presenting in Parliament the Memorial entrusted to him by the Board on the subject of Assisted Immigration

Received

No 3 From Post Office Melbourne.

Referring to the Pauts left at the office, and that Mr. Jackson had stated that the probable price of the Pauts would be £4. 10. 0 and not £3. 10. 0.

Mr. Russell said that the statement as to the price of the Pauts was an error as he was present when Mr. Jackson stated to the Clerk the sum of £3. 10. 0 as the price.

Mr. Hutton Treasurer in reply to the Chairman said he was also present and recollected that the price named was £3. 10. 0.

After some discussion the Chairman directed the Clerk to write to the T-Post Master stating that the price named had induced the Board to purchase, but that if Mr. Jackson had no authority to name the price the Board had no wish to retain the Pauts, and that they would be at the disposal of the Department.

The Chairman also directed

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the Clerk to bring under the notice of Mr. Quinner, the fact that nothing had as yet been done with respect to the repairs of the Rooms lately occupied by the Electric Telegraph Master.

No 4 From Samuel Samuel.

Referring to Bill of Costs lately furnished by him in the matter of Hugh Glass.

Referred to next M. 9

No 5 From Road District Conference.

Enclosing report of proceedings of Deputation of the Central Committee and interview with the Honble The Minister of Roads & Bridges.

Received

No 6 From Coy Inspector

Enclosing report and Treasurers Receipt for £1. 12. 6 being amount of Registration fees collected since last report.

Received

No 7 From Dalashit Booth

Reporting that at the Commission on the 1st Inst at Sandhurst had entertained the application of Wm. Hardy for allot. 134 in the Parish of Garklaw, and stating that this as well as other business had been promised by Mr. Grant the late Minister of Lands.

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to be permanently reserved for the use of the select as an travelling stock and asking the Board to take steps to prevent the alienation of the land in question.

After some discussion it was moved by the Chairman seconded by Mr Raleigh

That the clerk write to inform the President of Land and works recalling the facts mentioned in Mr Booths letter, and requesting the Department not to allow the Land in question to be alienated
Carried

Reports

Engineer Reported

That the crossing at Bullock Creek had been much injured by the flood and that the Contractor had not proceeded further with the work since last report.

That no material was on the ground nor any work commenced on the Contract on Swan Still Road for construction of Culverts & forming Road and approaches.

That the Contract for clearing and grubbing road at Cheynis had not been completed as the holes required to be properly filled in

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In reply to Mr Russell the Surveyor said the time for the completion of the Contracts for Bullock Creek Crossing and Swan Still Road Culverts expired in June last.

The report was received.

Mr Russell moved seconded by the Chairman

That the Contract for Culverts and formation of road on the main Swan Still Road with G. F. Masterman on the 12th day of April 1870 be cancelled
Carried

Mr Russell moved

Mr Jos. Raleigh seconded.

That the time for the completion of Masterman's Contracts for crossing over Bullock Creek and grubbing and clearing road at Cheynis be extended to 30th November 1870

Carried

Treasurer Report

Statement for the month showing a credit balance in the Bank & S. Wals of £733. 14. 2

Moved by Mr Raleigh

seconded by Mr Russell.

That the report be received

Carried

Special Meeting

for Striking Rate

Office East Loddon District Board
Perpetua 11th October 1870

Present

John Raleigh Esq^r Chair
W^m Fenton Esq^r
Joseph Roberts Esq^r
Robert Russell Esq^r

The Chairman explained that the meeting had been called in accordance with the Act for the purpose of striking a rate for the ensuing year.

The Clerk laid before the meeting the Estimate of the Revenue for the ensuing year and the proposed expenditure.

Mr. Fenton proposed that the rate be Six pence in the pound Sterling on all Rateable property as that would meet the requirements of the District.

Seconded by Mr. Roberts

The meeting then adjourned sine die

Carried Unanimously

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Mr. Russell said that Mr. Edwards and himself accompanied by the Surveyor had visited the main Swan Hill Road and ascertained the requirements most needed, and he would move

That the Engineer prepare estimates and specification of the works pointed out and bring the same up in November
Seconded by Mr. Jos. Raleigh
Carried

Mr. Russell moved
Seconded by the Chairman

That the following accounts be passed for payment

Eraus Brothers	£ 9. 3. 5
Pub. deputations	11. 19. 0
Salary Engineer	25 " "
Election Exp. Rd	3 3 "
	49 5 5

Moved by Mr. Jos. Raleigh
Seconded by Mr. Russell

That this meeting stands adjourned till Tuesday 11th Oct. 1870 at 11. a.m.
Carried

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned accordingly

Confirmed this 11th
day of October
1870

W^m Raleigh. Chairman

11 Oct 1870

Ordinary Monthly Meeting:

Office of the East Soddon District Board
Serpentine, 11th October 1870.

Present

John Raleigh Esq^r Chair.
William Fenton Esq^r
Joseph Roberts Esq^r
Obadiah Edmick Esq^r
Robert Russell Esq^r

Minutes

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence

The letters sent by direction of the Board since last meeting were then read from the letter book pages 274 to 290 both included and approved by the meeting.

Letters Received.

No 1 From Sands Survey Melbourne
Stating that the Board of Sands and works decline to alter the decision arrived at as communicated in letter of 23rd May with regard to reserve in Bullock Creek at the crossing in the parish of Styalami.

Received

Correspondence.

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No 2

From Borough of Ballarat.

Requesting the Board to join in petitioning the Government to reduce the freight on the transit of Goods in the Victorian Railways

Received.

Mr Russell said he thought that the District was largely interested in the matter of Wool Carriage and stores and as the Railway department had recently added 5/- a ton to wool and it could be forwarded to Melbourne by drays nearly at the price now charged.

Mr Fenton agreed with Mr Russell and would approve of the Ballarat Council's suggestions being adopted.

Mr Russell moved

That this Board endorse the opinion of the Ballarat Borough Council and that a Memorial signed by the Chairman on behalf of the Board be forwarded in favor of the reduction of the transit of freight on the Victorian Railways.

Seconded by Mr Roberts

Carried -

No 3

From Dry Inspector.

Asking for amount of £ 3. 6. 3 he paid him on account of dry fees

Referred to clerk
to Balance Dry Insp's Book

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N^o 4 From Traystoun Road Board.

Asking this Board to send a delegate to a conference to be held at Hockley Hotel Melbourne on Thursday 6th of October @ noon for the purpose of waiting on the Commissioner of Roads & Bridges to urge the Gov^t to make a special grant to repair the damage caused by the late flood.

Received

The Clerk said the letter had been received after the last meeting and the conference was to take place before he could bring the communication under the notice of the Board. He had however seen Mr. Patchell of the Swan Hill Road Board on his way to Melbourne as that gentleman had kindly consented to represent this District at the conference.

The Chairman requested the Clerk to write Mr. Patchell on his return, thanking him on behalf of the Board for representing the claims of the District.

N^o 5 From Shire of Creswick

Referring to the time in accordance with the act the Endowment to Shires and Road Boards will cease, and asking this Board to use its influence at the next general election to secure the return of such

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members that will pledge themselves to a continuance of such endowment.

Received

The Chairman directed the Clerk to reply that this Board was prepared to act in accordance with the Circular.

8th From Samuel Samuel.

Asking payment in the matter of his costs in the case of the Board against Hugh Glass.

Mr Russell said he thought the charge of £82. 8. was a most exorbitant one, and that he had as requested by the Board gone over all the items. He would however in order to save litigation recommend that the sum of £47. 15. be offered to Mr. Samuel (without prejudice in full of his demand) and he thought that sum was an excess of what he had earned, he also that that in future the Board should get some other solicitor to conduct the business.

The Board having adopted Mr Russell's suggestion -

The Chairman directed the Clerk to write to Mr. Samuel to that effect, and to point out the ~~errors~~ charges which were considered an excess, the offer to be made to Mr. Samuel without prejudice.

Correspondence

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No 7

From Metcalfe'shire

Referring to the damage sustained in consequence of the late floods and requesting the cooperation of the Board in endeavouring to get a sum of money placed on the estimates for the same

Received

No 8

From Sanders Mr. Coryall

Forwarding copy of the Justice's Guide and requesting an order from the Board for the supply of the same

Received

The Chairman directed the Clerk to return the same and to state in reply that the Board had already been supplied with the copies required

No 9

From John Watkinson

Referring to the Land held by Ellershaw & Co. on the East London Run

Received

No 10

From General Post Office

Referring to the payment of the Punks left at the Office of the Board, and requesting the amount may be forwarded as soon as possible.

Received

The Clerk said that this letter was received before the answer as directed at the last meeting

Correspondence

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If the Board had reached Melbourne

No 11

From Gray & Santhorne

Asking about the work proposed to be done by the Board.

Received

No 12

From Shire of Marry

Acknowledging receipt of letter with reference to a settlement of the dividing line and stating that the Shire Surveyor had been instructed to communicate with the Board Surveyor as to a meeting on the question

Received

No 13

From Secretary Agricultural Society of Sandhurst

Asking for a donation in aid of the Society as the show would take place on the 27th instant at Sandhurst.

Received

Mr. Edwick said he thought the Society was a benefit to the District and should be encouraged, and moved that the sum of Five pounds be given as a donation to the funds of the Board.

Mr. Russell seconded the motion and agreed with the last speaker as to the Society being encouraged

Carried.

Correspondence

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No 11 From Clerk Swan Hill District

Referring to the inequality of the privileges obtained by Town and Road Districts and making suggestions for a more equitable arrangement

Received.

The Chairman directed the Clerk to reply, and to state that this Board would join in any movement tending tending to carry out the suggestions contained in the Circular

No 15

From Engineer Marong

With reference to a meeting for the purpose of discussing the question of the boundary line with the Boards Surveyor

Received.

Referred to Engineer to appoint day for meeting

No 16

From G. J. Masternau

Asking the Board to take the Cancellation of his contract for Culverts and Road on the Swan Hill Line into consideration and stating that he had been to considerable expense in providing materials &c &c.

Correspondence

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After some conversation on the subject in which the members agreed that the facts of the case had not been truly stated.

The Chairman desired the Clerk to inform Mr. Masternau that the Board declined to alter the decision arrived at, at the last meeting

Reports

The Treasurer laid before the Board the monthly statement of Receipts and disbursements showing a credit balance in the Bank of N. S. Wales £ 684. 8. 9

Cash in hand	5. 5. 6
	<u>£ 689. 14. 3</u>

Received.

Accounts

Mr Fenton moved

Mr Russell seconded

That the following accounts be passed and paid

Robshaw	£ 11. 0
Goody	" 10 "
Mc Kay	" 9. 6
Flynn	1. 3 "
Salary Engineer	25. " "
Wilson & Co	11. 13. "
Hardy	3. 15. "
	<u>£ 38. 1. 6</u>

The Clerk introduced Mr. Flynn and Mr. Moss as a deputation from the rate payers of Tawamba East on the subject of a Farmers' Common.

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Mr. Flynn said that at a Meeting of the Ratepayers residing in the Area of Saurashtra East, it was resolved that a petition should be forwarded to the President of the Board of Land Works asking that the unalienated Crown Lands in the Parish should be proclaimed a Common for the use of the residents in possession of Land and that himself and Mr. Moscrop had been deputed to wait on the Board for the purpose of asking the Board to forward the petition and to recommend the same. Mr. Flynn pointed out that it would be a great boon to those persons who had signed the petition and who were bona fide residents & persons who had established residences and homes within the District.

The Chairman asked Mr. Flynn why he had not specified the allotments they wished proclaimed as the Board could hardly recommend a petition without knowing what they were recommending.

Mr. Flynn said that the petitioners wished all the Crown Lands in the Area to be reserved for a Common.

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Mr. Russell suggested that Mr. Flynn should point out on the map the allotments sought to have proclaimed.

After the allotments had been marked off on the map, the Board on consultation agreed to forward the petition & recommend the same to the favorable consideration of the Government.

The Chairman informed the Deputation that the Board had agreed to recommend the application, provided it contained the requisite number of signatures, and was accompanied by a map showing the allotments asked for. The Clerk would assist the deputation in preparing a map and would then be instructed to forward the same together with the petition to the Board.

The Deputation after thanking the Chairman and members for the courtesy shown them then withdrew.

The Chairman then requested the Clerk to give what assistance was required and to forward the petition as soon as received to the Government with the Board's recommendation.

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Adjournment

Mr. Peaton Moved
W Russell Seconded

That this meeting stands
adjourned until Sunday the 8th
day of November 1870 at 11 a.m.

The Chairman said that the annual
meeting would take place on
Wednesday the 16th November
and he thought it would be
advisable that the ordinary mee-
ting should be adjourned to that
day.

After some conversation the
motion was carried that the
Clerk should adjourn the meeting
to Wednesday the 16th November

The Chairman declared the
meeting adjourned accordingly

Confirmed this 16th
day of November
1870

Wt. Russell
Chairman

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Annual Meeting

Office of the East London
District Board
Trepentice Thursday 16th Nov. 1870

Present

Jno Raleigh Esq. (Chair)
Robert Russell Esq
Joseph Roberts Esq
Joseph Raleigh Esq

Annual Accts. The Clerk laid on the Table
the annual statement of
the accounts of the Board.
Certified to as correct by the
Auditors Messrs Eastman
and Burrows.

After the members of the Board
had examined the statement
it was
Moved by W Russell
Seconded by W Roberts

That the statement produced
be finally passed

Carried unanimously

W John Raleigh said that his
duties as Chairman for the
year had now ended, and he
was glad to be able to con-
gratulate the members of the
Board

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in their present financial position. he had much pleasure in acknowledging the kind consideration and assistance that had been accorded him by the members during his term of office and trusted the same would be extended to his successor. he had much pleasure in proposing Mr Russell as Chair. man for the ensuing year.

Mr Roberts seconded the appointment of Mr Russell, and trusted he would accept the office.

The resolution was carried unanimously, upon which Mr Raleigh vacated and Mr Russell took the Chair.

Mr Russell in acknowledging the honor which had been conferred on him, said he hoped he would be able to give the satisfaction that his predecessor had done. he was certain that all the members of the Board appreciated the manner in which Mr Raleigh has fulfilled the duties of Chairman, and he had very great pleasure in moving a vote of thanks to Mr Raleigh for the able manner in which he had filled the Chair, and the courtesy displayed to the members during the past

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year, and that such resolution be entered in the minutes.

Mr Roberts would have much pleasure in seconding the resolution.

Carried unanimously

Mr Raleigh had much pleasure in receiving the vote of the Board as it proved to him that his endeavours to give satisfaction had met with success.

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Adjourned Monthly Meeting:

Office East Loddon District BC.

Superintend. 16 November 1870

Present

Robert Russell Esq (Chair)
 John Raleigh Esq
 Joseph Roberts Esq
 Joseph Raleigh Esq

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed

Correspondence

Letters sent by direction of the Board since last meeting were read from the letter Book. pages 291 & 311 both inclusive and approved of by the Board.

Letters received

No 1 From R. Pusey.
 Repairing crossing on Road
 Received

No 2 From Eye and Ear Institute
 Circular requesting donation
 Received

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Correspondence

No 3 From General Post Office.

Referring to previous correspondence on the subject of Water Pipes and stating that the department would take steps to have them removed
 Received.

No 4 From Evans Brothers

Enclosing form to be filled in for directory of Shire Road District, &c. and soliciting orders for same

The Chairman directed the clerk to fill in the form as requested & to order 2 copies of the directory
 Received -

No 5 From G. P. Masternan

Asking for an extension of time for the completion of the Contract over Bullcock Creek.

Mr Raleigh moved that the Clerk be instructed to inform the Contractor that the Board would not decide until the Engineer had brought up his report at the next meeting as to what progress had been made with the work.

Seconded by Roberts. Carried

The Chairman instructed the clerk to inform Mr Masternan of the resolution arrived at.

Correspondence

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No 6. From District Survey Office Sandhurst.
Informing the Board that the
next Land Commission would sit
in Sandhurst on the 11th Inst.

Received.

No 7. From J. Raleigh (Chairman)
In reply to the clerk's report of
the interview with Mr. Barker &
instructing the matter to be laid
before Com. Roads & Bridges.

Received.

No 8. From Post Office Melbourne
Stating that the Department
had assessed the damage to the
Telegraph Office at £2. and
enclosing a form to be filled
up for that amount.

The Chairman directed the clerk
to complete the document and
forward the same to Gov.

No 9. From Rate payers Gallook
Asking the Board's consent
to Jackman's erecting a
gate between his property
and the parish of Gallook.

Moved by Mr. John Raleigh
Seconded by Joseph Raleigh

That permission be granted

Carried.

Correspondence

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No 10. From J. Samuel.

In the matter of Bill of Costs, and
agreeing to accept the Board's offer
of £47.15.0 in full of all
demands.

Received.

No 11. From Patrick Flynn.

Asking the Board to take
action in the matter of the
destruction of Thistles within
the District.

Received.

The Chairman directed the clerk
to communicate with the Honble
the Chief Secretary and ascertain
whether the Services of the Police
would be available in distribu-
ting notices to destroy Thistles.

Mr. Roberts he would move
that applications be called for
the removal of all along the
main Swan Hill Road, and
the reserves abutting thereon.

Seconded by Mr. Raleigh Carried.

The Chairman said he thought
as the Board would have a good
deal of work to do shortly it
would be advisable that a
heavy roller should be obtained
and directed the clerk to
obtain information as to cost
weight &c by next meeting.

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The Chairman a temporary
barrier to be erected at the
upper Culvert near Stardys.

An application was received
from Masterman for the return
of deposit on Swan Hill Pond
Contract. Cancelled by Board.

Chairman said that would
finally settle the matter and
ordered money to be returned.

Accounts

Proposed by Mr Raleigh
Seconded by Mr Roberts
That the following accounts
be paid viz.

Aqueduct Society Sandhurst	£ 5. 0. 0
Casey advertisement	" 10. "
Masterman Ret. Dep.	✓ 5. " "
Excise work & Labor	✓ 3. 6. 0
Police do	✓ 3. 10. "
Salary Eng.	✓ 25. " "
Log Inspector	✓ 2. 16. 3
Bal Contract 18 A.	✓ 5. 9. 6
Hamblower P. & A.	✓ 17. 0. 6
	£ 67. 12. 3

Mr. Joseph Raleigh said
as urgent private business
would call him out of
the District for some
time, he would apply
for leave of absence.
He would not be thought

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be able to attend the next three
meetings and therefore asked for
3 months leave

It was resolved that 3 months
leave of absence be granted to
Mr. Joseph Raleigh to abs.
from next ordinary meeting

Mr. John Raleigh moved &
Mr. Roberts seconded

That this meeting stands
adjourned until Tuesday
the 13th day of Decr 1870

Carried

The Chairman declared the
meeting adjourned accordingly

Confirmed this 13th
day of December 1870

W. Russell
Chairman

13 Dec 1870

Ordinary Monthly Meeting

Office of the East London
District Board.
Tuesdays 13th December 1870.

Present

Robert Russell Esq (Chair)
John Raligh Esq
Joseph Roberts Esq
William Fenton Esq

Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

Correspondence

Letters sent by direction of the Board since last meeting were read from the letter Book pages 312 to 328 both inclusive and approved of by the Board.

Deputation

The Clerk introduced Mr. Hardy and Mr. Glynn as a deputation. Mr. Glynn said he was deputed by the persons who had signed the guarantee Bond to the Government on account of the Telegraph Office at the Deptford and as the office was closed the Department had called on him as well as others to make good the deficiency that existed

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Deputation

he thought it very hard that a few private persons should have to pay for what was done to benefit the District and was there to ask the Board to take the responsibility of their shoulders.

The Chairman said he thought the Board had no power to act in the matter legally.

Mr. Raligh said it would be fair that the Board should at least pay one half of the amount.

Mr. Fenton said he thought the Board had full power to pay the money, but would like to see a full meeting on the question.

The Chairman said he was of opinion that it was a matter of private debt.

Mr. Fenton said in reality it was the Road Board that got the Telegraph Office established at the Deptford.

Mr. Roberts said he thought the money could be legally paid by the Board, at the same time as there was a difference of opinion on the subject he would approve of a legal opinion being obtained.

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Deputation

Mr. Raleigh said he would move that the opinion of Mr. Stolyard be obtained on the matter.
Seconded by Mr. Roberts.

Carried

The Chairman desired the Clerk to have the case properly stated to Mr. Stolyard.

Correspondence

Letters Received

No 1

From Council Arco Thru

Asking the Board to endeavour to obtain the insertion in the new Act of the authorizing the issue of a Pen. Pound. Iron License outside Town boundaries.

Received

No 2

From Roads & Bridges

Asking the Board to forward an estimate of the amount of damage through the late flood.

The Clerk said he had forwarded the statement requested by the Department.

Received

No 3

From Deaf & Dumb Institute

Asking the Board for a donation towards the funds of the Institute at St. Kilda.

Received &

Ordered to stand over

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Correspondence No 4

From Roads & Bridges

Enclosing form for the signature of the Chairman & Treasurer of the Board.

Received

No 5

From Flood Committee Melbourne

Suggesting that the resolution of the Govt. only to grant aid to the different local bodies on condition of their raising a similar amount by special rate is a hardship and asking the Board to assist in resisting the same.

Received

No 6

From Registrar General

Enclosing statistics of the various Colonial industries for the year 1870 for the use of the Members of the Board.

Received

The Chairman directed the Clerk to acknowledge receipt of the same.

No 7

From C. P. J. Sugwood

Enclosing order from the Police Court for the amount of expenses incurred in conveying a lunatic arrested in the District to the Asylum in Melbourne.

Received

The Chairman directed the Clerk to draw & remit a cheque for the amount less the sum the lunatic had in his possession.

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Correspondence

Nr 8 From Evans Brothers
 Enclosing Tenders for supplying a
 Roller to the Board with plans of
 the same

Received

ordered to stand over.

Nr 9 From Lauder and Turvey
 Stating in answer to application
 to have the reserves preserved for
 public uses that the reserve as shown
 on plan enclosed was more than
 sufficient for the local wants

After some discussion

The Board directed the Clerk
 to inform the Department that
 one of the allotments marked
 as a reserve was evidently an
 error as none such existed, and
 again requesting the Department
 to allow the Enclosed reserves to
 remain intact.

Received

Nr 10

From G. I. Masterman
 Asking a further extension of
 time from the 30th November
 for completing Bullock's Creek
 Crossing, and stating he should
 be able to complete the work
 in 6 or 8 weeks

Mr. Denton said he would
 move that Masterman's appli-
 cation for extension of time
 be granted as he had had
 a good deal to contend
 with.

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Correspondence

The Chairman and Mr. Roberts were
 of opinion that the work was an
 unnecessary one

Mr. Denton differed

Mr. Bro Raleigh said the question
 was not whether the work necessary
 or not, but whether the Board would
 grant Masterman an extension -
 he (Mr. R.) thought he had had
 great leniency shown him and had
 done nothing, he would move

That the Board cancel the
 Contract for the Crossing over
 Bullock's and return the Contractor
 his deposit of £5.0.0
 seconded by Mr. Roberts

Carried

Phistles

On opening the Tenders for the
 destruction of Phistles on the
 Swan Hill Road and Reserves
 the Tender of Duncan for the
 sum of Twenty pounds Sterling
 was found to be the lowest.
 Mr. Raleigh moved

That the Tender of Duncan
 for the sum of Twenty pounds
 be accepted, to be completed
 in 3 weeks from the 14th Inst.
 to deposit £3. . . as security,
 and to forfeit £2.0.0 for every
 weeks delay after the time for
 the completion of the Contract

Seconded by Mr. Roberts

Carried

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Accounts

on the motion of Mr. Fenton
seconded by Mr. Raleigh

The following accounts were ordered
to be paid:

Dues (Budge)	✓ £ 10. 0. 0
Pilowsky (W & L)	✓ 4. 10. 0
Dues W & L	✓ 1. 15. 0
Police (Lunatic)	✓ 5. 1. 10
Surveyor Sal. Mr	✓ 25. 0. 0
Surveyor Sal. Deer	✓ 25. 0. 0
	71. 6. 10

Mr. Fenton said as the Board
had cancelled the contract over
Bullock Creek, he would ask
that something might be done
towards repairing the division
fence which was all down.

Mr. Robt. moved

Mr. Raleigh seconded

That the Engineer be
empowered to have the same
repaired as soon as possible
Carried

The Chairman directed the
Clerk to call for Tenders for
the several works proposed
for Tuesday the 24th Inst
and to have plans & speci-
fications ready by the next
ordinary meeting on the
10th next month.

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The Chairman said with regard to
the Tenders forwarded for a roller
they rather exceeded his ideas in
price. he would however communicate
with Castlemaine, where he thought
a stone roller might be obtained.

Mr. Raleigh moved

Mr. Fenton seconded

That this meeting stands
adjourned until Tuesday the
10th day of January next at
11 o'clock a.m.

Carried

The Chairman adjourned the
meeting accordingly

Wm. Ruddle
Chairman